Hindu Temples in Tehri

†4053. SHRI MANOHAR KANT DHYANI : Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to refer to the answer to Unstarred Question 2248 given in Rajya Sabha on 22nd December, 1999 and state :

(a) the number of Hindu Temples in Tehri and the names of such religious structures out of above for which payments have been made;

(b) what is the present status of Badrinath temple and Raghunath Temple situated in vast premises; and

(c) by when the temples will be constructed in their places ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRIMATI JAYAWANTI MEHTA) : (a) to (c) There are as many as 12 major Hindu Temples in old Tehri Town which require to be shifted. In addition idols of five small temples are proposed to be shifted to the temples complex constructed at New Tehri Town. The details of the construction/ payment of compensation etc. in respect of twelve major temples in Tehri are given in the Statement. *{See* below).

The Raghunath Temple has already been constructed. The allotment of land/construction of Badri Kedarnath Temple Complex (comprising Shri Badrinathji Temple, Shri Gangaji, Shri Rangnath Temple and Shri Kedamathji Temple) will start on the receipt of proposal relating to new site from the Temple Board of Management.

STATEMENT

Status of Construction /Payment of Compensation in Relation of 12 Major Hindu Temples in Tehri

S.No.	Name of Temple	Status
1.	Laxmi Narayan Temple	Already constructed at Project cost
2.	Satyeshwar Mahadev Temple	Already constructed at Project cost

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

(1)	(2)	(3)
3.	Raghunath Temple	Already constructed at Project cost
4.	Arya Samaj Temple	Under construction at Project cost and is expected to be completed by June, 2000
5.	Gecta Bhawan	Under construction at Project cost and is expected to be completed by June, 2000
6.	Raj Rajeshwari Old Temple	Compensation paid to the owners
7.	Raj Rajeshwari New Temple	Compensation paid to the owners
8.	Shri Gopalji Temple	Compensation paid to the owners
9.	Jain Temple	Land has been allotted and compensation paid
10.	Gmndwara	Land allotted and possession given. Payment of compensation is held up for want of settlement of court case relating to ownership.
11.	Balmiki Temple	Located on Government land. The demand of public for the allotment of land and construction at Project cost is to be decided by the State Government of Uttar Pradesh.
12.	Badri Kedamath Temple Complex (Comprising Shri Badrinalhji Temple, ShriGangaji Temple, Shri Rangnathji Temple and Shri Kedamathji Temple).	Allotment of land/construction of Temple will start on receipt of proposal regarding location at new site from the Temple Board of Management.